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## PATENT APPLICATION



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

### More Application of:

Satoshi Koizumi, et al.

Application No.: 09/645,321

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For: **PROCESS FOR PRODUCING  
N-ACETYLNEURAMINIC ACID**

Examiner: Manjunath N. Rao, Ph.D.

Group Art Unit: 1652

March 4, 2004

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated November 19, 2003 to March 19, 2004. A check in the amount of \$110.00 for payment of the extension fee is enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for the extension in connection with this paper, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 06-1205.

In response to the Office Action dated November 19, 2003 (Paper No. 20031111), please amend the application as follows:

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